

Abstract

Protocol device in a protocol system for transmitting messages

Both user data and monitoring information are transmitted in communication protocols. While (message) packets with user data are successively numbered in many protocols, thus ensuring that the user data are transmitted completely and with a protected sequence to the receiver, messages which contain only monitoring information are not normally successively numbered. This situation can lead to monitoring messages being overtaken, and thus to the rejection of current monitoring information. The invention describes how the rejection of current monitoring information can be avoided.